

November 3, 2003

RE: RM-10807

Dear Commissioners,

The combining of the Novice/Technician and Advanced/Extra was suggested in an earlier petition for rule making which has not been accepted or denied. The reduction of the number of license classes would be a positive change.

The idea of a point system for the Morse code exam is interesting. But, this idea should have been considered 20 years ago. Today, the International Amateur Radio Union is supporting the elimination of the Morse code requirement for licensing. Other countries have already eliminated the requirement.

The new frequency changes in this petition really need to be considered after the decision of eliminating or retention of a code requirement.

This petition really need to be put on hold.

Regards,
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